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SUBJ: HELSINKI THIRD ANNIVERSARY

1. AUGUST 1 RUDE PRAVO EDITORIAL NOTED THIRD ANNIVERSARY OF SIGNING OF HELSINKI FINAL ACT, RECALLING ALSO THAT ON AUGUST 7, 1975 PARTY/GOVERNMENT PROCLAMATION WAS ISSUED PLEDGING CSSR WOULD CONSISTENTLY FULFILL THE CONDITIONS OF THE FINAL ACT WITH THE UNDERSTANDING IMPLEMENTATION WOULD BE A LONG-TERM PROCESS.

2. IN FAMILIAR TONES, EDITORIAL STATES CZECHOSLOVAKIA APPROACHES FINAL ACT AS A WHOLE AND INSISTS IT MUST BE IMPLEMENTED AS A WHOLE. CORE, HOWEVER, OF FINAL ACT IS DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES, WHICH IS BASIS FOR EFFORTS TOWARD DETENTE.

3. EDITORIAL THEN SLIPS FROM MEASURED TONES TO CLAIM
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THAT ALL POST-WAR CONTRIBUTIONS TO IMPROVING INTERNATIONAL SITUATION WERE INITIATIVES OF USSR AND ITS ALLIES. IT GOES ON TO STRESS PRINCIPLE OF NONINTERFERENCE AND ATTEMPTS BY "OPPONENTS OF DETENTE" AT BELGRADE TO ABUSE THAT BY "DEMAGOGICALLY" STRESSING HUMANITARIAN ISSUES AT EXPENSE OF POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC AREAS. IT ACCUSES WEST OF HAVING, BEFORE BELGRADE, SOUGHT TO ACTIVATE REMNANTS OF COUNTER-

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REVOLUTION IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND ELSEWHERE AND OF CONTINUING
TO USE "SO-CALLED DISSIDENTS" FOR IDEOLOGICAL DIVERSION.

4. FINAL THIRD OF EDITORIAL IS SERIES OF ACCUSATIONS AGAINST
WESTERN REACTIONARY OPPONENTS OF DETENTE WHO ARE
ATTEMPTING TO REVIVE DISCREDITED POLICY OF CONFRONTATION AND
A CALL TO DEFEND THE "IRREVERSIBILITY OF THE PROCESS OF
DETENTE."

5. OTHER MEDIA OBSERVED ANNIVERSARY ALONG SIMILAR LINES,
INCLUDING TV COMMENTARY BY MFA CSCE EXPERT JIR JAMBOR.
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